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"Good News Surrounds Us"

## Joint Sewage Treatment Under Fire

By Cheryl Rutz

Suffield: Sewer Plant Superintendent Paul Barnett advised the Water Pollution Control Authority at its Tuesday meeting to "proceed with all due haste" in planning construction of a sewage treatment plant involving Enfield and H.P. Hood Inc. of Suffield.

According to Robert Kovacs from Metcalf & Eddy Engineering in Boston, a pipe will run along the shore of the Connecticut River and will cross underneath the river directly across from a plant in Enfield. Also included in this construction would be an interceptor line near Muddy Brook and a new pumping station to send waste from Hood to a secondary treatment plant in Enfield.

The cost for this, according to Barnett, would be \$715,000, but if Suffield were to build its own plant on the western side of the river, the cost would be \$2,350,000.

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Enfield has stated they will not be able to accommodate the additional waste material.

Enfield Town Manager Robert F. Ledger Jr. said in a letter to First Selectman Earl Waterman on July 30th that Hood's waste is highly organic and would hinder Enfield's ability to attract industry as well as eliminate similar companies' wastes.

"Enfield should not have to sacrifice the benefits of facilities planned more than a decade ago that have accommodated projected residential, commercial, and industrial growth," Ledger said in the letter.

"What they're saying," WPCA Chairman Robert Stewart said, "is that they wouldn't have the capacity to handle an ice cream plant in Enfield." Stewart added that the argument between Enfield and Hood may have to be solved by the State Department of Environmental Protection.

The Suffield WPCA will be drawing up a rebuttal to Enfield's decision, made at a July 21st meeting between the two towns.

According to Stewart, this rebuttal will contain technical data and financial estimates to prove that Suffield's plan will not put an excessive burden on Enfield treatment facilities.

A public hearing on this matter is scheduled for September 16th, and the WPCA agreed not to postpone it. Paul Greer, a state DEP official who was recently assigned to Suffield's projects, advised the town to wait on the hearing until more discussions are held between the two towns, according to Barnett.

The WPCA disagreed, and Barnett said, "The purpose of a public hearing is not to answer all the questions, but to present the situation as we know it."

Barnett also noted that further delays in approval of construction could increase Suffield's share of the costs because federal financial support will drop from 75 to 55 percent in September, 1984.

In other business, the authority discussed a disposal problem on Branch Road where four leach fields on four separate lots are connected to one drain pipe.

Joseph J. Quinn Jr. of 839 Branch Road told the WPCA at the meeting that the overflow from the 25-year-old pipe is polluting Stony Brook with raw sewage and that the town is obligated to do something about this problem since they approved the septic tanks.

Stewart said, "The WPCA has no authority over funding of sewers; this belongs to the town." He added that it would cost \$300,000 to construct a sewer system for this area, and the Board of Finance must approve it first.

August 14, 1982

## Springfield Firm Hired For Town Roof Repairs

By Andi Phelps

Southwick: The School Committee Tuesday voted to contract with N. L. Freedman, Inc. of Springfield to repair the high school roof at a cost not to exceed \$9,500. Work should begin as soon as possible, according to officials, so it can be completed while weather conditions are still good.

According to the Freedman proposal, 2,800 square feet of the roof will be repaired with waterproof membrane. The company also plans to repair splits and flashings on the roof.

In June, the town allotted \$10,000 for the repair work because, according to the Roof Study Committee reports, work to replace the leaking high school roof could not be completed before winter this year. Selectmen determined an emergency situation existed at the high school making it unnecessary for the department to ask for conventional bids for the repair work.

According to School Department Business Director Kenneth Johnson, several companies were asked to submit proposals and quote prices for the repair work. His department did not write up specifications, he said.

According to Edward Pepe, a member of both the School Committee and the Roof Study Committee, "We did not have the luxury of time to draw up specs. The Freedman bid seems to have more research behind it than the others, especially in light of what the study committee found when walking the roof."

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Virginia Fletcher



Germain Chouinard



Gert Cote, center, with son Ron and daughter, Michelle



Cheryle Kennedy

PHOTOS BY JOHN LOFTUS

In The Good Ole Summertime...

## Southwick Enjoying Warm Weather

By Cheryl Bruno

same pattern of using extra funds to improve their home.

"We planted shrubs, flowers, and our first vegetable garden," Cheryl Richards relates, adding, "We're really enjoying our yard and watching everything we planted grow."

Brian and some of his friends built a new sun deck this summer, and he says, "It is something we'll be able to enjoy for many years."

Son Matthew has had a great summer splashing in his wading pool and taking bike rides with his mom and dad.

Furthering the trend to spend summer at home is **Germain Chouinard** of 16 Birchwood Road, who did enjoy a week of swimming and dining out in Mattapoisett, near Cape Cod, but actually spent most of his summer at home. Chouinard describes the backyard garden he and his mother have been caring for and comments on his labors painting the outside of their house along with three interior rooms.

"Yes, the economy did affect my choices, but I have had a great summer spending more time with friends

and family," Chouinard says. "Another thing was practicing with my church choir and singing at the Confirmation ceremonies last June."

Also spending their vacation nearby this year are the **Cowheys** of College Highway. Jim, Rosaleen, and their six children spent one day at Ocean Beach Park in Connecticut, but most of their summer has involved entertaining visitors from Ireland.

"We had a dinner party to welcome our guests," Rosaleen Cowhey recalls, "and I spent four weeks co-directing a summer recreation program for youngsters at Our Lady of the Lake Church. We had a delightful field day and picnic at Stanley Park where everyone had a lot of fun."

### Some Still Choose To Travel

Traveling further away were the **Cotes** of John Mason Road. Guy, Gert, and their three children took a trip to Quebec for a wedding and a Cote family reunion. On the way home, they stopped off in New Hampshire to visit Gert's family.

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NEW SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER WILLIAM FEARN (right) listens to discussion on the planned roof repair with members Diane Zink and Edward Pepe. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

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### ROOF REPAIR - From Page 1...

The committee voted to send a notice of intent to demote to Frank Vallon, vice principal at Powder Mill School. According to Superintendent of Schools Louis Josselyn, Richard Hamann, former principal at Consolidated School and presently on leave of absence from the system, has indicated he will return because a request for extension of his leave was denied by the board. Due to seniority and qualifications, Hamann will take the Powder Mill position and Vallon will possibly take a teaching position at the high school, according to Josselyn.

In other personnel matters, the committee voted to hire Ruth Gallagher of 112 Congamond Road as half-time kindergarten aide. Mrs. Gallagher has a college degree in elementary education.

Earlier this year, the committee had voted to allow for a fifth kindergarten session to accommodate increased enrollment. No teacher has yet been hired for that class.

The board granted maternity leaves to Woodland teachers Mary Katherine Devine, grade 3, and Debra S.B. Gardner, grade 3 and art. Both leaves will extend to February, 1983.

The committee reappointed Attorney Paul Anderson as labor relations negotiator. Pepe noted that some consideration should be given to getting together with selectmen to combine the duties of the town and school negotiators in view of voters' concern as expressed at the annual town meeting. While such action could not be taken this year, Pepe said, "We should begin thinking about future years."

The committee is also considering the possibility of contracting on a weekly basis for a part-time speech therapist for the special needs class at Woodland School. As the position now exists, the therapist works four hours daily with one student and a half hour daily with other special needs children.

Because of a question of future status of the single student, the position may only involve the half hour class. The committee did not feel they should be committed to hiring and therefore retaining a teacher under these circumstances.

Six persons, whose positions hinge on the amount of Title I funds available, will be reappointed for the '82-'83 school year. Those involved include Mary Halpy, grade 8; Diane Graham, grade 5; Kathleen Arduini, grade 4, half-time; and Debra Patry, half-time reading - all at Powder Mill School. Also to be reappointed are Phyllis Goldblatt, elementary adjustment counselor, and Pennie Sibley, part-time Title IV elementary adjustment counselor.

According to Josselyn, the department will receive \$57,032 in title funds, 85% of last year's request. Many field trips and other in-school activities in the Title I schedule have been cut back to retain as much of the staff and program as possible, according to Josselyn. He noted there is still a question of the exact amount of the grant because figures were based on the 1970 census rather than the 1980 census.

The committee accepted with regret the resignation of girls' junior varsity soccer coach Stephanie Dzieniewski. They noted she has been an excellent coach and produced a winning team. She plans to return to school.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the School Committee is set for September 7th at Powder Mill School.

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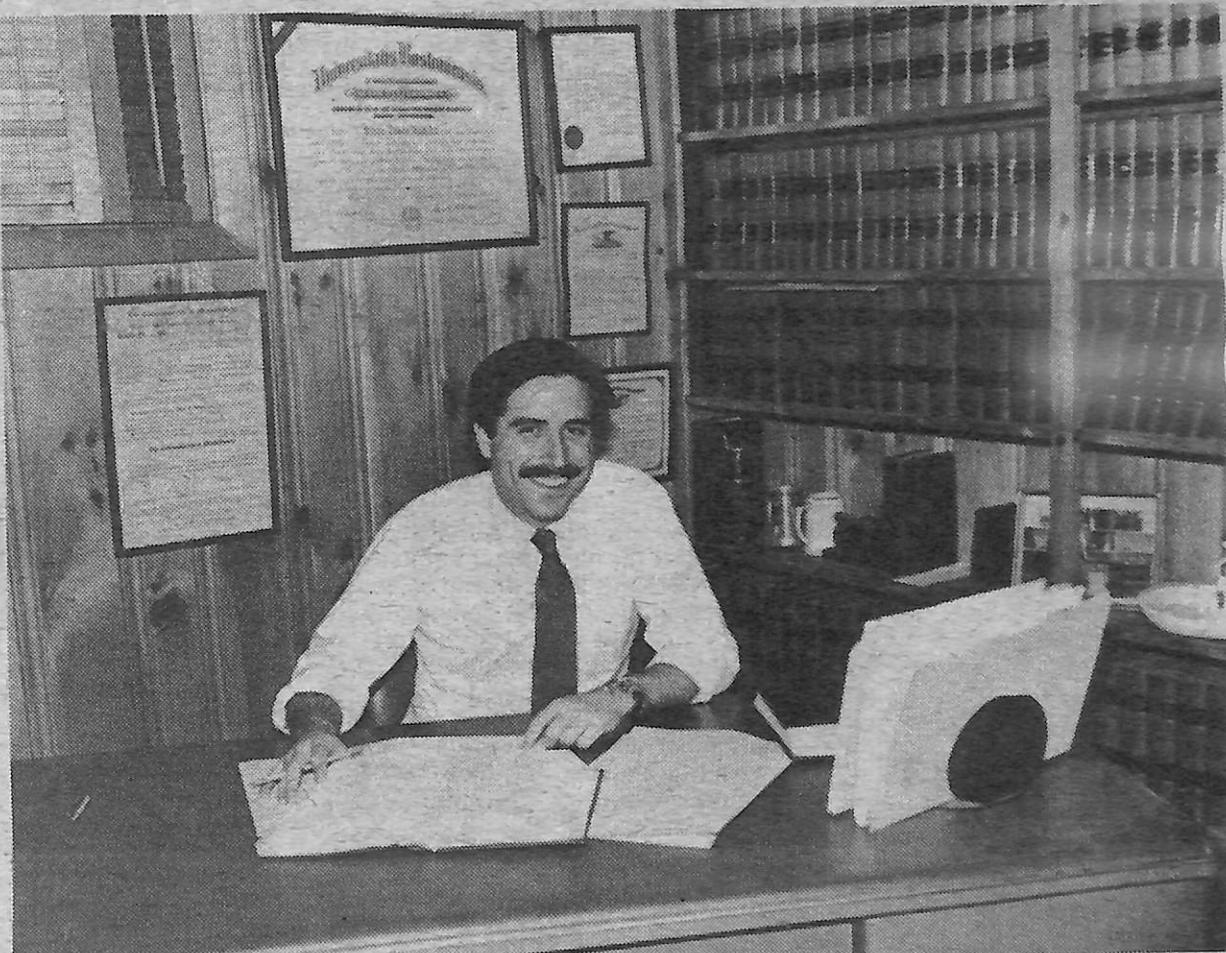
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## SUMMERTIME - From Page 1...

Ron Cote, 14, is working with his dad this summer in the family home-building business, and brother Steve, 11, is working at Fox Farms, picking vegetables.

"The boys are saving for a winter vacation trip to Florida," says Gert Cote, noting that nine-year-old Michelle has enjoyed spending time with her aunt in Feeding Hills helping out with two small cousins.

Gert seems to sum the vacation time up by saying, "Summer is a special season because the family has more time to spend together. It's all what you make it. The economy can't depress you if you have the right outlook."

**Cheryle Kennedy** of Ham Hill Road proves that, at 19, one can have the world by the tail. Cheryle spent two weeks in New Orleans, Mississippi, and Florida.

"I watched the blessing of the fleet in the Gulf of Mexico and visited Deer Island and Ship Island," Cheryle recalls, adding that she "had a ball."

A 1981 graduate of Southwick High School, Cheryle works fulltime in Springfield and saved faithfully for this summer vacation. She is contemplating going to college in Florida in the fall to major in fashion merchandising.

"I have relatives in Florida," she says, "and it is a great place to get an education."

**Virginia Fletcher** just may be the happiest person alive this summer as she started it off perfectly by getting her first hole-in-one on June 1st at Edgewood Country Club.

"I spend all winter in Florida," the Berkshire Avenue resident relates, "so my summers are spent tending a small vegetable garden and flower beds. I spend more time with my family and friends, picnicking and just plain enjoying the summer."

Regardless of how one may have spent his vacation, one thing seems to be true: summertime in Southwick means a time of family togetherness, of enjoyment for all, and of facing reality. Because of the economy, these may not be the "good ole days," but for sure, the season is still the "good ole summertime."

## Smith Supporters Map Out Strategy



CANDIDATE FOR THE STATE ASSEMBLY FROM THE 61st District John Smith (left) maps out campaign plans with Suffield supporters Frank Dzurenda, Sam Coatti, and Gene Biggio. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

## Southwick Board Considers 5-Year Plan

By Andi Phelps

**Southwick:** At the recommendation of School Committeeman Edward Pepe, the board will consider a possible five-year plan to restore school grounds, especially playing fields, to proper condition. Pepe said he toured the grounds and found the fields "badly in need of work, in some areas even dangerous."

While the department cannot afford to do grounds work as it did in the past, Pepe said, "We should develop a cost effective plan to bring the fields back gradually before they are too far gone for repair work."

We do not want to burden the budget with heavy expense in this area, but our grounds are one of our assets."

Business Director Kenneth Johnson told the committee that the \$1,200 budgeted for this year's maintenance has already been spent on lime, fertilizer, and weed killer.

"It will take a bundle of money to get the fields into any kind of good shape," he said. "It requires labor and expensive material, and it must be done annually."

Johnson further explained that the groundskeeper is also serving as a part-time bus driver which takes about four hours daily away from maintenance work time because of scheduling. He asked the committee to consider hiring a bus driver for two hours daily to allow more time for the maintenance man to work in that area. The committee will consider this proposal at a future meeting.

Also scheduled to be voted on in the future is the possible rental or purchase of a plain paper copier for the teachers' use at the high school. The copier would replace the duplicating equipment teachers now use for class materials.

Although the purchase price and rental charge are nearly the same, Johnson said the board should rent the equipment because he is unsure how the machinery would stand up to heavy volume use.

"Under these circumstances, it would be better if someone else had the responsibility of repair work," he said.

Committee Chairman Sheila Larkin noted that, for a similar dollar amount, an estimated \$4,000, the department could purchase the equipment and a one-year service contract. If the machine broke down after a year, it could then be traded in, she said. Officials noted there would be a problem if the machine did not last a full year.

Although the committee plans to finance the computer rental or purchase, with money saved from disuse of the inefficient duplicator and possible savings from other areas, a town meeting vote is necessary to allow purchase of the equipment.

The committee will purchase a copier for the high school office use at a price of \$3,695 plus \$500 annual service contract. The committee had budgeted \$4,295 for this machine.

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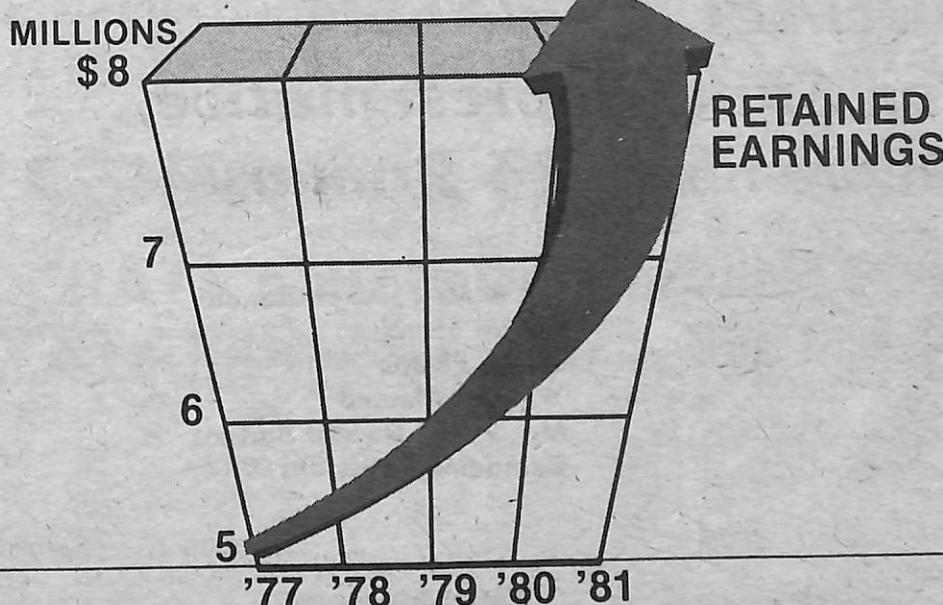
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## Smith Seeks Seat In 61st District Of State Assembly

Suffield: John G. Smith of Suffield is seeking to become the first Democrat in over two decades to occupy the state assembly seat in the 61st district. Although a political newcomer, he was unanimously selected by Democratic delegates from the three towns in the District (Suffield, East Granby and part of Windsor) at their mini-convention on July 22.

Connecticut born and educated, Smith is a marriage and family therapist with a growing practice in Suffield. He is the son of the Reverend J. Gorman Smith, past minister of the Second Congregational Church in Suffield. He is married to Patricia Orr Smith.

Smith holds a B.A. from the University of Hartford, a Masters in Divinity Studies from the Hartford Seminary Foundation and has completed a special program in marriage therapy at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine.

For most of his adult life, Smith has been active in community affairs. In Suffield he has been serving on the town Conservation Commission. He recently completed a successful tenure as Chairman of North Central Mental Health System, Inc. in which he was able to gain approval of grant requests in excess of several million dollars. While a resident of Bloomfield, Smith served on many town Boards, most prominent being as Chairman of the Advisory Committee to the Town Council in the areas of health and welfare.

Smith has already had a taste of state government having been the chairman of the Legislative Action Committee for the Connecticut Association for Marriage and Family Therapists.

Heading up the Smith campaign will be campaign manager Frank Dzurenda of Windsor. Smith has selected Bob Creech Jr. of East Granby as his assistant campaign manager, while two Suffield residents Sam Coatti and Gene Biggio will be responsible for, respectively, finances and publicity.

### Reception For Evelyn Murphy Slated

Northampton area supporters of Evelyn Murphy, endorsed candidate of the Democratic Party for Lt. Governor, will hold a \$10 per person reception for the Democratic State Convention winner on Sunday, August 15, 1982 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at Eagles Hall, 270 Pleasant Street from Northampton.

Referring to the upcoming August 15th event, Ms. Murphy stated, "Western Massachusetts delegates represented a strong bloc of support for me at the Democratic State Convention in Springfield. Their support is a major reason why I am now the standard bearer of the Democratic Party for Lt. Governor."

Murphy added that, "I am looking forward to seeing my friends again in the Northampton area and I want to remind people that I am the only candidate for Lt. Governor who has a record of performance in this area of the state. For example, as state Secretary of Environmental Affairs, I was responsible for stopping the Connecticut River Diversion Project. As Lt. Governor, I intend to maintain that level of advocacy for Western Massachusetts."

According to Northampton area coordinator Russ Carrier, "Evelyn has a great deal of support in this area. She has been very effective at representing the interests of Western Massachusetts. We know that we can expect Evelyn Murphy to act on our behalf as Lt. Governor."

The regional reception is the tenth of twenty-two fundraisers scheduled throughout the state by the Murphy campaign. All citizens of Northampton and the surrounding area are welcome to attend. For further information about the campaign or tickets to the August 15th event, contact either Russ Carrier at 584-2168, Eleanor Flexner at 584-0969, John Lawlor at 586-5854 or Mary Zalesky at 247-5882.

## Southwick Property Valuations Set

By Andi Phelps

Southwick: While this year's new tax rate has not yet been set, most residents already have an idea of how the 100% valuation of property will affect them personally.

When impact notices were sent from the assessors to property owners in March, many persons were surprised to see the actual value of their homes, in most cases about double what had been previously listed. In the past, however, property owners were only taxed on 48% valuation of their property.

According to Assessors' Chairman Richard Waterman, only about 5% of the approximately 3,000 property owners in town questioned the new valuations.

"Most people understood the new rate once it was explained to them. Only a handful of people were really upset about it," he said.

Waterman explained that the recent valuation is based primarily on sales prices of similar properties within the last two years. The assessors take a group of at least seven to ten homes of similar construction, calculate an average sale price, eliminate extremely high or low sales, and then determine what the true value of any given property now is. Square footage also is involved in the formula.

Once the value of the basic building is determined, then extras like fireplaces, pools, garages, extra bathrooms, and finished attics or basements are then added in, usually on a cost per square foot basis. Age of the structure also affects the valuation.

On their impact notices, residents were also given the valuation of the land on which the structure is built.

Waterman said assessors must stay within a 10% margin of the average sales prices when determining individual property values.

"The state is mainly concerned that we be consistent in determining fair value. We try to take everything into consideration. It's not an easy job. Taxes are a very sensitive subject to everyone," Waterman said.

He indicated that a general explanation of how his board determines assessments is a nearly impossible chore. "There are pages and pages of figures we use," he said. He noted that, while the board can fit homes into general categories, each property has to be individually considered because of the size of the building and improvements that people make on their own property.

The assessors must revalue property every two years, according to Waterman. Prices went up rapidly in the recent past, but now seem to have leveled off, he said. The biennial revaluation does not usually involve house-to-house visits, but rather merely the checking of sales trends.

"We do try to check on unimproved areas, like half-finished homes or unfinished basements, to determine if they work has been sufficiently completed to change the classification," he pointed out.

The state has approved the recent 100% valuation procedures for residential properties, but as yet has not approved the commercial assessments.

Waterman said, "The state has a copy of all our work, but it is difficult to say when we can expect approval." He added that he does not expect the actual dollar amount of most people's taxes to change much once the new tax rate is set. This year's tax rate is based on the old valuation.

Even though the rate will be lower because of Proposition 2 1/2, Waterman noted that values are higher with 100% assessment.

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(Sponsored By Friends Of The Kent Memorial Library)

**Mon., Aug. 16:** Fire drill, 7, Central Firehouse; Fire Comm., 7:30, Central Firehouse; Zoning & Planning Comm., 7:30, Town Hall; Prayer Mtg., 8, Sacred Heart Church; Knights of Columbus, 8:15, St. Joseph's hall  
**Tues., Aug. 17:** Blood pressure clinic, 1:30, Emergency Aid Assn. Bldg.; Rotary Club, 6, Suffield C.C.; Boy Scout Troop 260, St. Joseph's Church; Apollo Lodge, 7:30, Masonic Bldg.; Republican Town Committee, 7:30, Town Hall; Conservation Comm., 7:30, Town Hall  
**Wed., Aug. 18:** Thrift Shop closed until August 25; Kent Library movie, "The Man Who Knew Too Much," 7 p.m.  
**Thurs., Aug. 19:** Medicare Assistance, 9:30-11:30, Enfield Savings & Loan in Suffield Village; Holy Name Society bingo, 7:30, St. Joseph's hall  
**Sat. Aug. 21:** Library 10th Anniversary Celebration open house, 3-5 p.m.

## Kent Library Celebrates Birthday

Suffield: The Kent Memorial Library will hold a special tenth anniversary celebration on Saturday, August 21st, from 3 to 5 p.m. The Library Commission and Friends of the Library invite all townspeople to share in the festivities.

The celebration will include a cake baked in the shape of the library, many displays on library services, a blow out the candles contest, and homemade punch and cookies.

On August 21, 1972, the library opened its doors at the new location at 50 North Main Street. Previously located across the street in what is now the Kent Legare Library of Suffield Academy, the library was constructed to keep up with rising demand for services in Suffield.

In ten years, that action has been more than justified. Usage of library materials has more than doubled since 1972, and the new plant offers facilities such as programming space and meeting rooms which were formerly not available and which are heavily used for both library activities and community events.

The celebration is being sponsored by the Friends of the Library with the assistance of CIGNA Corporation, Aetna Life and Casualty, and Flowers Unlimited in Suffield.

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FOUR GENERATIONS OF Sheldon-Shelden gathered for their annual family get-together this year held in Suffield for the first time. From left, Thomas Sheldon (29) holds his son Brian (six months); Great Grandfather Alfred Sheldon (89), and Grandfather Robert Sheldon (54). Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

## Hitchcock Thriller At Library

Suffield: "The Man Who Knew Too Much," an early film by Alfred Hitchcock, will be the next presentation in the Kent Memorial Library Sunset Cinema series. It will be shown on Wednesday, August 18th, at 7 p.m. in the air-conditioned auditorium.

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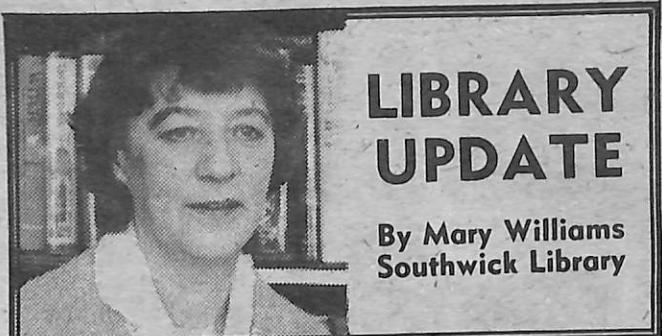
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By Mary Williams  
Southwick Library

A reminder goes out to those readers enrolled in the Enchanted Forest Summer Reading Club. Six books must be completed by August 26th. All those eligible for a certificate are invited to the Book Festival and film party to be held on August 26th from 2 to 4 p.m. in the children's room of the library.

On September 21st at 7 p.m., the SPW will sponsor a workshop entitled "Tax Advantaged Investments." Included will be material on IRA's, municipal bonds, utility stock and limited partnerships. Michael Serafino, an account executive with the firm of Bache, Halsey, Stuart, Shields, Inc. of Springfield, will deliver a lecture and answer questions. Please sign up at the library if interested.

The trustees and librarian of the Southwick Public Library are pleased to announce the appointment of Mrs. Barbara Morse as clerical assistant. Mrs. Morse is presently a student at Westfield State College and lives with her family in Southwick.

The library will increase its open hours to include Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. beginning on September 4th.

### Emergency Procedures Course To Be Offered In Sept.

Suffield: What if you came upon an unconscious person lying along the roadside? What if a loved one has a heart attack or is cut and bleeds severely? Would you know what to do?

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Classes will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 9:30 p.m. with one class scheduled for Saturday, November 6th.

To enroll, call Dave Terry, course instructor, at (203) 668-5224 after 5 p.m. Registration must be made prior to September 1st.



**CHECKING IN WITH SOUTHWICK PUBLIC LIBRARIAN Mary Williams are youngsters, from left, Dawn Carboneau (8) of Granville Road and Jamie Watling (8) of North Longyard Road as part of the Summer Reading Program. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.**

### Cut-A-Thon To Benefit Lakes

Southwick: Local hairdressers will hold a cut-a-thon on Monday, August 23rd, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Ann's House of Beauty in the Village Green Shopping Plaza. All proceeds from the hair-cutting event will go towards the fund for cleaning up Congamond Lakes.

According to Brenda Pulaski of Brenda's Beauty Boutique, several of the local hairdressers are donating their services for the Congamond Lakes Redevelopment Corporation-sponsored event. All haircuts for men, women, and children will be \$5. Appointments will not be necessary, she said.

### Addition Listed To 4-H Award Winners

Southwick: Along with several other winners of top prizes at the recent 4-H fair held on the grounds of the Eastern States Exposition, Richard Power of Ed Holcomb Road took first place in 3-year-old Herefords, second place in 2-year-old Herefords, and second place in showmanship. He also won the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals exhibitor award for kindness to animals.

A correction listed is the notice that Eric Leavitt of South Longyard Road did not show his white-faced Herefords.

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## Land Conservancy Nears Goal

Suffield: The Suffield Land Conservancy is 98% along in its goal to purchase the former Spencer property on West Suffield Mountain, according to its president, Russell MacNayr. The organization has received donations and pledges totaling \$50,500 and needs approximately \$6,000 more to meet its commitment.

The group issues a plea to those who have not yet pledged to help out.

MacNayr said, "It is really time for people who have made verbal commitments to come forth. Many people have been called on at their door, and some again through a telethon and still have not yet helped us. We hope to see these contributions soon."

MacNayr noted how gratifying he found the support his organization has thus far received. He noted that another telethon will be held and that businesses and organizations will continue to be approached.

"The bottom line is that we need another \$6,000 by the end of October and we are confident the people of Suffield will come through," MacNayr said.

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## Vacation Church School Set

Suffield: The Community Vacation Church School will be held at the Second Baptist Church from August 16th - 20th from 9 to 11:45 a.m.

This program is open to all children age 4 through 11 (grade 6). They will learn to appreciate God's people and God's world as they participate in worship, group and individual learning centers, crafts, music, and recreation. The theme will be "God's People: Empowered By Love." A closing program will be held for family and friends on August 20th at 6 p.m.

The fee for this program is \$1 per child with a maximum of \$3 per family. Registration will take place on August 16th at 8:45 p.m. at the church office.

## Library Sponsors Book Sale

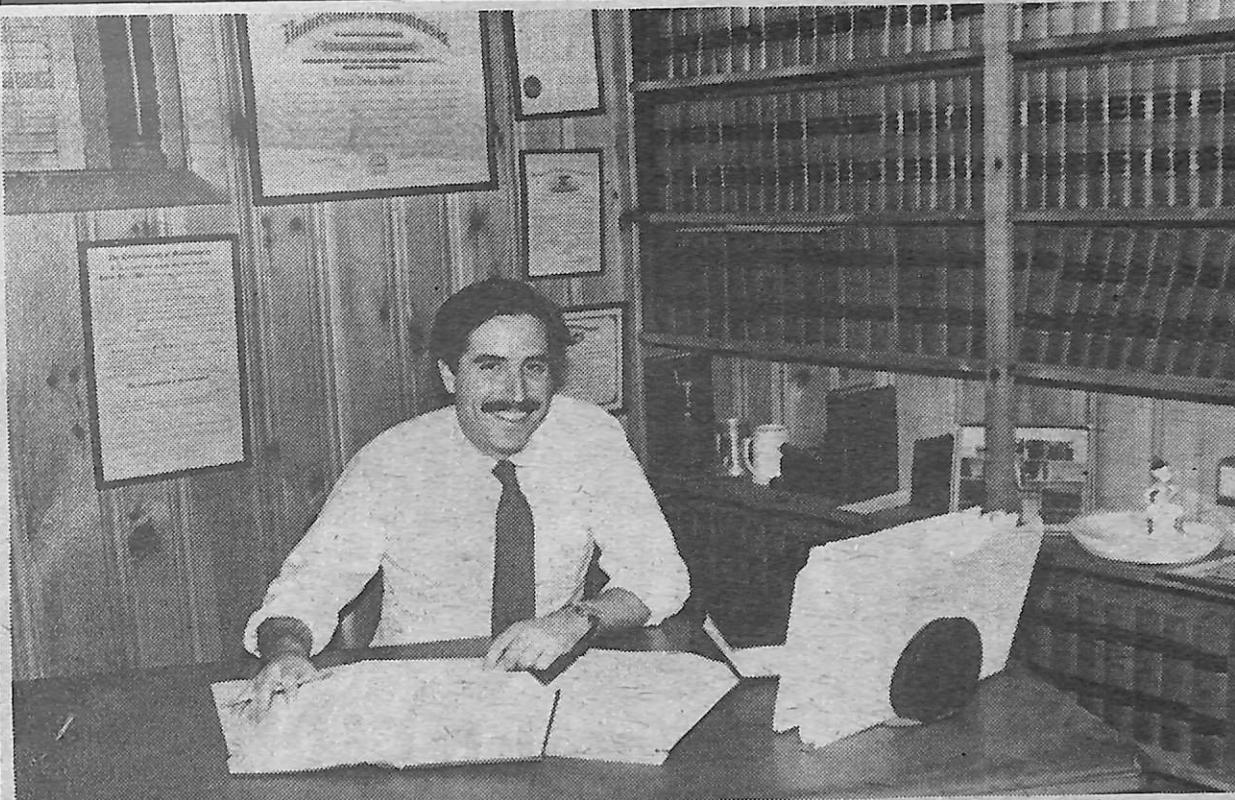
Suffield: Friends of the Kent Memorial Library will sponsor their annual book sale during the town's Oktoberfest on September 11 and 12. Book sale hours will be from 10 to 5 on Saturday and from 12 to 5 on Sunday.

The group has collected a large quantity of books which have been sorted into categories for easy browsing. Anyone who may still wish to donate books may call Lester Smith at (203) 668-7256 or drop them off at the library.

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**ACTRESS ROBIN MATSON**

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## "General Hospital" Star Visits Suffield

Suffield: Robin Matson, who portrays Heather on television's hit soap opera "General Hospital" is a busy young woman who was recently in Connecticut for a regional Mental Health Association conference.

Robin, who likes to get a "feel" for places she visits, found that difficult to achieve when she arrived late at night, four days behind schedule, at a reception where half the people had to leave before her arrival and then went on to conduct a workshop the next morning prior to catching an afternoon plane to Washington to make some television clips on behalf of the association.

Robin was in luck, though, when she mentioned that she liked old homes and a mental health volunteer brought her to the recent Hatheway House open tour along with an automobile tour of many of the charming older homes in Suffield. The drive around town included a few quick stops for fresh strawberries, to pick tiger lilies, to watch the replanting of an earlier flooded tobacco field, to view Suffield Country Club, and to read the graffiti at the old railroad overpass on Suffield Street.

Robin noted that her recollection of this area will be a pleasant one of quaint, historical houses, of greenery and floral beauty, and of hospitable people.

Suffield residents who spent part of their day with this well-known television personality found her and her husband to be down-to-earth and sincerely interested in other people, especially those who are mentally ill. They say Robin is very unlike the spoiled brat she depicts on the soap opera.

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## Community Scrapbook



### Lapans Enjoy Southwick Life By Cheryl Bruno

Southwick: A few cliches may be applied to this week's Scrapbook couple: "a perfect match," "made for each other," and "a match made in heaven" are all appropriate statements which describe Ken and Mary Lapan.

August 22nd will mark 29 years since the young, starry-eyed couple took their wedding vows. The stars still twinkle as they speak of their lives together and their family.

With Ken a 20-year career man in the Navy, the Lapans have been involved with much travel and excitement. They have journeyed all over the continental United States and even lived in Hawaii for two years.

Fourteen years ago, the Lapans came to Southwick and settled at 22 Woodside Circle. "We have always enjoyed Southwick," they say. "The people are extremely nice, it's centrally located, and we wouldn't want big-city living."

#### Proud Of Family

Ken and Mary have done much in their life together to be proud of, but as they discuss their family, it is obvious what they are most proud of.

Together they have raised four children. David, the eldest at 22, is following in his dad's footsteps pursuing a military career. Even though he chose the Marines, Ken is still proud of this son. Dave and his wife have given them 8-month-old Kristin, "the most beautiful granddaughter," according to Mary.

The next offspring in line is 20-year-old Kevin, who, as his dad puts it, has a "great, God-given talent in art." Following her dad and brother in her choice of career is 19-year-old Susan, who enlisted in the Marines after high school graduation. Cindy, the youngest at 16, will be a senior at Southwick High this fall and is termed "a very good athlete" by her proud parents.

All four of the Lapan children have participated in sports activities, and Ken and Mary attended all the games to cheer them on with a dedicated interest in everything their children did.

#### Involved With Rec Center

Ken's own passion for sports and then his children's participation led the Lapans to their involvement in the Southwick Recreation Center back in 1969. Ken had experience from his days in California when, as a second job, he was an A.S.A. softball umpire. He drew on this training and used it at the recreation center to coach baseball for eight years in varying age groups.

Any kid who has ever put a handful of pennies and nickels on the counter at the Rec Center's Candy Shack and asked for bubble gum or ice cream can be grateful to Ken and Mary Lapan. For seven years they did the ordering, the stocking, the selling, and the organizing of volunteer workers for the snack bar. The Lapans literally were the Rec Center's "Candy Shack."

Carl Maloney, one of the founding fathers of the Rec Center, recalls, "During my tenure with the Rec Center, there were never two more dedicated people than Ken and Mary. As program director, if someone didn't do the job assigned to him, the problem fell back on me. I never once had to worry about Ken and Mary doing their parts. They were very dependable and whatever they did, they did well."

Maloney also noted that for five years Ken called bingo every Wednesday with Mary working along side of him.

#### One Of First To Join B.O.S.S.

Last year, a new group known as B.O.S.S. (Boost Our Southwick Schools) was formed, and, you guessed it, the Lapans were one of the first in line to volunteer their services. Ken and Mary worked together on the various fundraisers the group sponsored including a 50's dance, a crafts fair, and a few bake sales.

Being members of Our Lady of the Lake parish does not simply mean attending Sunday mass to the Lapans. Mary's goodies can be purchased at any church bake sale, and she and Ken will spend part of their wedding anniversary on August 22nd working at



MARY & KEN LAPAN

the church's Fun 'n Frolic II as hard as they did last year at the first such event.

#### Great Neighbors

According to Mrs. Barbara Hepburn of Woodside Circle, the Lapans are "the greatest neighbors in the world." Mrs. Hepburn adds, "They are the type of people who are always there when you need them. You don't even have to ask for their help; they're just always there. A person just couldn't find better friends than Ken and Mary."

Togetherness is the key word in relation to Ken and Mary Lapan. We applaud their service to the community, to their family, and to each other and wish them a happy wedding anniversary with many more to come.

### Modservations By Madge Barnes



August days may seem languid, but don't be fooled. Summer is slipping away.

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Do you remember when the only time you had to batten down was when storm warnings were aired? Now you have to keep doors and windows tight against vandals and thieves, and most especially in isolated areas. Don't you wonder if the pendulum will swing back again...for the good of the wrong-doers as well as the victims.

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These backyard vacations are great for saving energy...except, of course, Mother's.

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By Mildred Talmadge

#### August 14th

Everyday is a memory date for someone. Today is the birthday of a bachelor uncle of mine, who was a member of our household all of my life. He was my mother's brother and, believe me, a child who has a live-in bachelor uncle has it made!

He always seemed to have a little extra change in his pockets that didn't have to be counted as allowance. He was a super chaperone, letting you do things that parents clamp limits on.

I recall reading Peter Green's biography of Kenneth Grahame and the sad fate of this author of *Wind In The Willows*. His mother died when he was five, and his father took off and 'got lost' on the continent. The children were forced to live with their maternal grandmother, who made it very clear that she had already raised her family. She received them into her well-staffed estate, but not into her heart.

But their was Uncle David, their mother's twin brother and a bachelor, still living at home, and took more interest in their kids than Granny Ingles ever did. He took them boating on the river and taught Ken to scull. There is no doubt that Uncle David was responsible for his nephew's passion for "messing about in boats," a pastime so much enjoyed by the characters in the later-to-be-written children's classic. My favorite edition is Scribner's illustrated by Ernest H. Shepard, though there are a half dozen to choose from.

My uncle owned a sporting goods store, so skates, skis, and such were provided without the need of asking. I remember a large bubble-type glass jar of candy on the counter - one cent a piece for anyone else, but only a tiptoe reach for me. When my husband joined the family, hunting and fishing equipment was handed out, and today he treasures a bamboo rod, a gift from that store.

At our grown-up family gatherings, our aging uncle shared in the reminiscences. He always had his contributions of jokes on us and little misdemeanors never disclosed until then.

I suppose live-in maiden aunts could be as satisfying to a child, but not having experienced that, I can't say. All I know is that I had a super uncle and today would have been his birthday.

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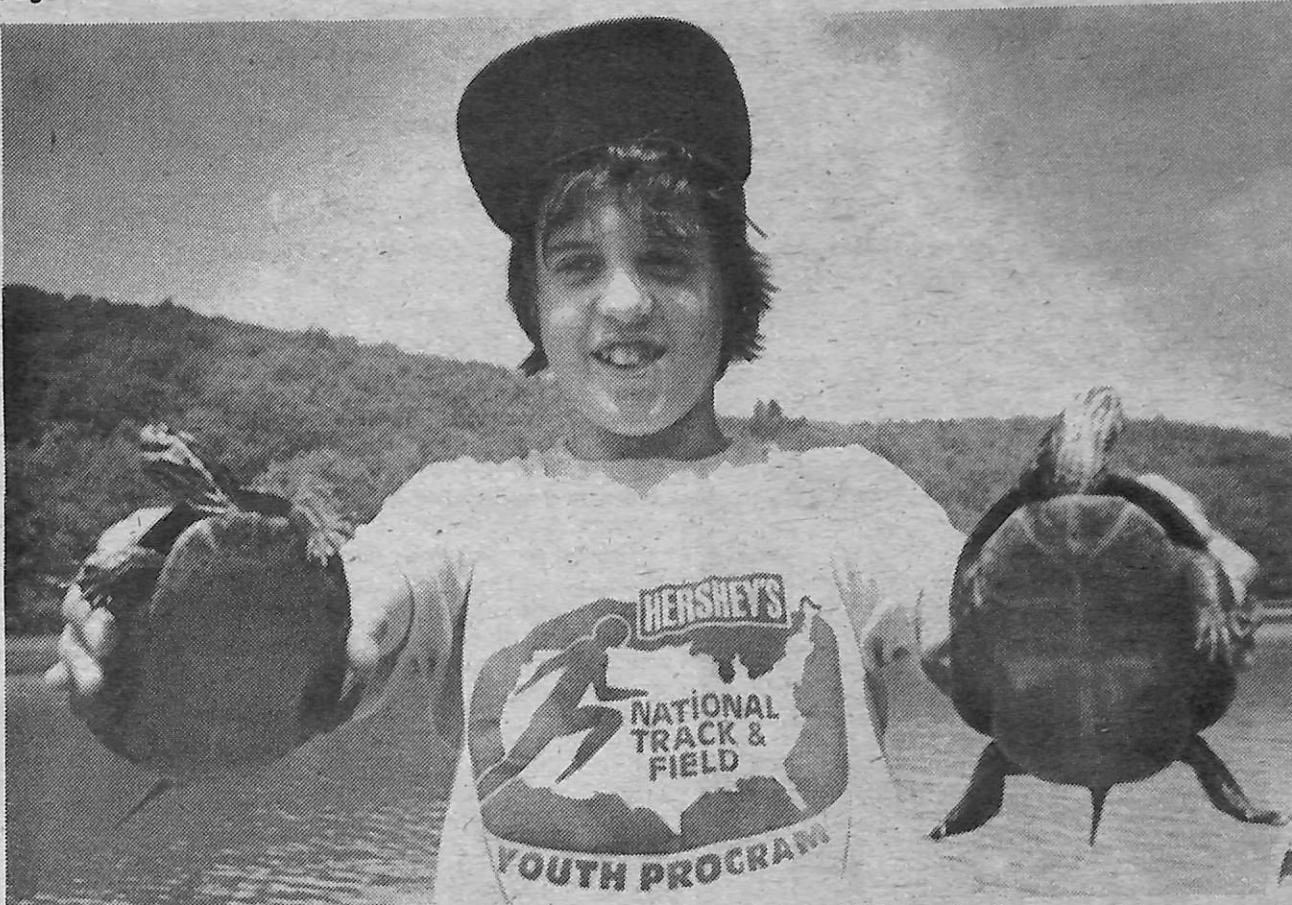
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## Sunrise Day Camp Ends Another Successful Summer

By Dawn Cummock

Suffield: One of Suffield's recreation programs this summer which involved many town youngsters was Sunrise Day Camp. This camp ran daily Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. for seven weeks which ended last Friday, August 13th.

Situated at Sunrise Park on Mountain Road in West Suffield, the camp offered daily events to children ages six to thirteen. Archery, free swim, swimming lessons, arts and crafts, fishing, boating, and other sports were all part of the daily camp life. In addition, the program included many special events such as exploring an ambulance or fire truck brought to the camp grounds, making a teepee, hunting for treasure or crayfish, playing knock hockey or horseshoes, taking field trips with other camps to the Alpine Slide or Ocean Beach, and overnight sleepovers for each age group, a favorite with counselors and kids.

In charge of the program were Mark Sullivan and Rob Packard, who were assisted by counselors Tracey Pedersen, Kelly Dustin, Michael Milligan, and Chris Martino. Prior to becoming counselors at the camp, both Sullivan and Packard had been involved in some aspect of the Recreation Department. Besides their ability to work well with children, all of the counselors possess patience, a sense of responsibility, and an outgoing nature which are all needed to do an efficient job.

The purpose of the program, according to the counselors, was to motivate children creatively as well as physically, to help kids get along with their peers, and to instill the value of sportsmanship into these youngsters.

Ninety-five children were enrolled in the first session of camp, a total slightly less than in other years. The second session encompassed eighty-five, about average in comparison to previous years.

The entire seven-week program cost \$27 per child, \$15 for the first session and \$12 for the second.

YOUNGSTERS TAKING ROWING LESSONS at Sunrise Day Camp are, left to right, Scott Oullette, Stacy Schneider, and Danny Makowski. The camp, which is sponsored by the Suffield Recreation Dept., closed its season last Friday.  
Photo by John Loftus



### Firesafe Ideas

By the Suffield Firemen's Association, Inc.



#### Arson Awareness

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## Tripping About

By Jeanne Gilbert

### Roseland Cottage In Woodstock

When you come upon this pink Gothic-style house on a quiet residential road in Woodstock, Connecticut, you immediately think of the fairy tales you were told as a child.

This 20-room summer cottage formally known as Roseland Cottage was built in 1845 by Henry Bowen, owner of a 19th-century newspaper in New York. Architect Joseph Well designed not only the house but also some of the furnishings.

The fun thing about the house is that it has remained basically unchanged even down to its pink color. There are beautiful stained glass windows (yes, some of the panes are pink), porcelain doorknobs, lovely Limoges china designed especially for the Bowens, and carved walnut chairs and settees, which of course, have pink fabric. Upstairs you will find many pieces of wicker.

You can readily visualize the hostesses in Henry Bowen's days dressed in their best pink gowns, serving pink lemonade to their guests, some of whom were Presidents McKinley, Rutherford B. Hayes, and Ulysses S. Grant.

Also on the property, in a nearby barn, is one of the first private bowling alleys in the United States.

This really makes a lovely day trip. The house is owned and maintained by the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities.

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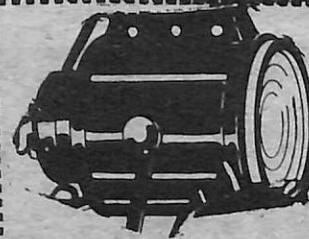
Have you noticed how many nice-looking cars are parked in front yards with For Sale signs on them? Could it be that the economy is forcing the elimination of the second car from the family budget?

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Does it seem to you that the swallows are gathering on the wires a little ahead of time, or do you forget from year to year? Perhaps they are planning an earlier get-away this time.

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Do you find it hard to form your own opinion on government spending, especially the pork barrel kind, when there are so many differing comments from those you admire?



## SPOTLIGHT ON SENIORS

**Mon., Aug. 16:** Salisbury steak w/gravy, potato rounds, sliced carrots, wheat bread, mixed fruit, milk

**Tues., Aug. 17:** Turkey ala king, cucumber salad, biscuit, nectarine, milk

**Wed., Aug. 18:** Stuffed peppers w/creole sauce, whipped potato, green beans almondine, rye bread, sliced peaches, milk

**Thurs., Aug. 19:** Chicken 'n gravy, scalloped potatoes, peas, roll, chocolate pudding, milk

**Fri., Aug. 20:** Breaded scrod w/tartar sauce, boiled parsnip potato, spinach, wheat bread, pineapple chunks, milk

### TRAVEL WITH ISABEL

The Southwick Seniors and friends will travel to the Woodbound Inn, Jaffrey, New Hampshire, on October 26th. The inn is located on Lake Contoocook. The seniors will enjoy a Yankee pot roast dinner and a short program provided by the inn afterwards. Reservations for this trip will go fast so call early.

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## Agawam Now A "College Town"

Agawam now has a college to offer area residents. Fisher Junior College first opened its doors in Somerville, Massachusetts, in 1903 and shortly afterwards established its main campus in Boston. Most recently, it has opened a branch campus at the Sacred Heart parish center on Springfield Street in Feeding Hills.

Fisher is a fully accredited junior college and accepts transfers of credits along with ensuring that their courses are transferable.

Fisher Junior College believes in the philosophy of bringing education to the community. It currently has 33 sites in Massachusetts with Agawam as its newest and that located furthest west in the state. The school also has branches in Westfield and Easthampton.

In addition to bringing their courses to local communities, Fisher arranges a good deal of financial aid through veterans' associations, federal grants, and a scholarship fund set up by its trustees.

Though classes are only held in the evenings, Fisher is considered a fulltime school. Classes run two nights a week for 2½ hours per class over eight weeks. This schedule is equivalent to forty hours, or a regular semester class. Classes also run year-round with a week off at Christmas time and around July 4th.

The office is open from 12:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m., with the campus director, and the full office staff available. A personal touch is often witnessed when the campus director or college president may come out of his office to offer help to a student who may already be receiving assistance from one of the office staff.

Sean Murphy is campus director for the Agawam location. Murphy is a graduate of North Adams State College and has been working on his master's degree at Suffolk College. He will continue his degree studies locally.

Classes begin at Fisher on September 13th in preparation for associate's degrees in business management. Some elective courses may have to be taken at other extension sites, such as Westfield State. As Fisher establishes itself here, other degrees will be offered as they are on its other campuses.

# FISHER JUNIOR COLLEGE AGAWAM CAMPUS

A BRANCH OF FISHER JUNIOR COLLEGE in Boston is now open at the Sacred Heart Parish Center (Route 57) in Feeding Hills. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

### County Young Republicans Elect Officers

At their August 2nd meeting at Ludlow Town Hall, members of the Hampden County Young Republicans adopted a constitution and elected the following officers: Ronald Aseltine of West Springfield, chairman; Joe Maruca of Longmeadow, vice-chairman; Joseph Barrosa of Ludlow, recording secretary; Joanne Emmons of West Springfield, treasurer; and Dave Robinson of Longmeadow, executive officer.

State Representative Steven Pierce (R-Westfield) addressed the members and stressed the need for an active Young Republican organization in Hampden County.

The organization is planning a softball game versus the Young Democrats later this month as well as a membership picnic in September.

Anyone interested in joining the Young Republicans or who wants more information on the group is asked to call Ronald Aseltine of 538 Amostown Road, West Springfield or Joe Maruca of 160 Academy Drive, Longmeadow.

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### Suffield Church Holds Arts And Crafts Fair

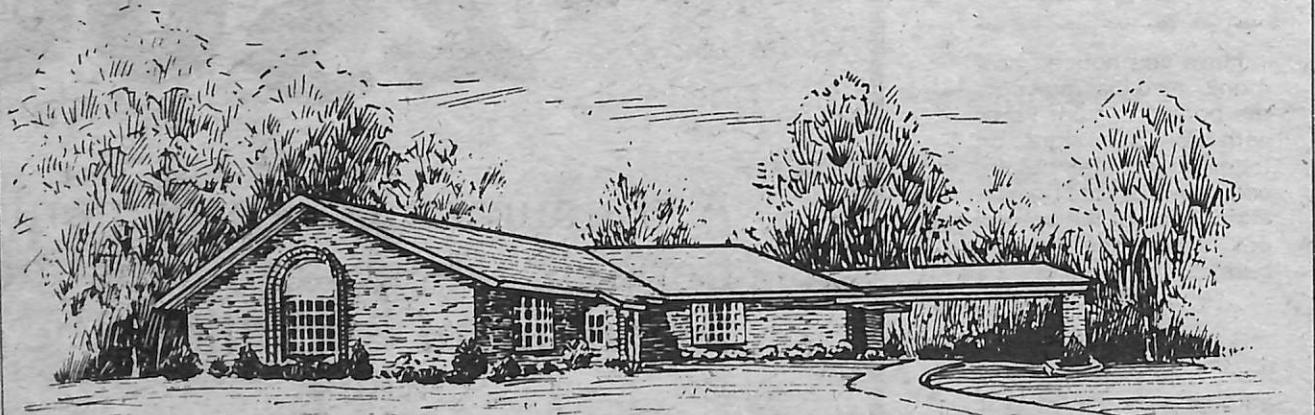
The Third Annual Arts and Crafts Fair sponsored by the Rosary Guild of St. Joseph Church, South Main St., Suffield, Conn., will be held on Saturday, August 21st from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the church grounds. There will be a variety of booths featuring dry arrangements, quilted, knitted, crocheted and macramed articles, woodcraft, plaster craft, fur and stuffed toys, Polish

paper cuts, slate, acrylic and watercolor paintings, stained glass, miniatures, photography and many other crafts pleasing for children, teenagers and adults.

Polish food will be sold by the Guild. Parking will be available in the church parking lot. Admission is free. The rain date is Saturday, August 28th.

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## New Valley Players Present Original Script

By Phil Benoit

It's always a pleasure to see a fine play, but it's an even better treat when the script is written by a local resident such as East Longmeadow's Jim Guzzo, Jr., whose *Something Old, Something New* is the latest production of the New Valley Players.

The show, which is presented at the Italian-American Veterans Club in East Longmeadow, ran on July 31, August 1, 7, and 8 and has its final run on Saturday, August 14.

*Something Old, Something New* is a two-act comedy that deals with the residents of two apartments in one particular building.

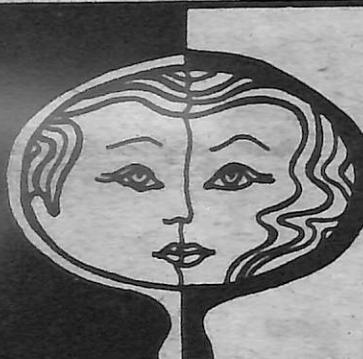
The first act, which is entitled, "Late Dinners and Noisy Neighbors," tells the story of Bill Gordon (Jim Guzzo, Sr.), a depressed sales manager who laments to his wife, Evelyn (Flo Healy), that he thinks his company is going to replace him with a much younger man. Evelyn tries to calm her hubby down as he rants and raves about the apartment like a crazy person. Lo and behold, the Gordons' doorbell rings and guess-who's-at-the-door? Why, it's the younger man (Paul Berube) whom Bill's been talking about and he, along with his wife (Joie Harte), has come to pay Bill a visit.

"Pass the Pitcher," the second act of the play, deals with the apartment directly above the Gordons. Its dwellers, Carol (Rosemarie Raina) and Jeff (Paul Boland), are making last minute preparations for a party that they'll be hosting. For the most part, things run smoothly until the guests arrive, and then, Carol and Jeff have to deal with the "peculiarities" of their friends and a startling secret about one of their guests. Throughout the course of the party, the host and hostess (especially the hostess) feel a need to drink as many martinis as they possibly can and, judging from their guests, you can't blame them.

*Something Old, Something New* is a tight, fast-paced, and light-hearted comedy. While the first act was very funny, it was a bit more serious than the farcical second one and under the direction of cast members Boland and Healy, Act I flowed smoothly into Act II.

The entire cast was a joy to watch because each performer was energetic and didn't upstage any fellow actor. There was, however, one problem with the casting; the characters of Bill and Evelyn Gordon are supposed to be in their early 60's, yet Guzzo, Sr. and Healy sounded and acted like people in their mid forties.

The New Valley Players should be proud of their latest production because not only does the show demonstrate fine acting ability but also impressive writing talent from a young playwright. The playbill for *Something Old, Something New* states that Jim Guzzo, Jr. is Western Massachusetts' answer to Neil Simon. Mr. Simon, if you ever get a chance to read Mr. Guzzo's script or see it on stage, you'll consider this quite a compliment.



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There'll also be all kinds of beautiful crafts on display in Storroron Village and in nearby areas, an abundance of all types of food from international delights to old standby favorites, 50 spectacular midway rides, plus kiddieland rides for the small fry and games of chance too numerous to mention.

The Big E's wide range of livestock and agricultural attractions will include competitions for seven breeds of sheep, six breeds of dairy cattle and three breeds of beef cattle.

There'll be a shearing contest, livestock pulling competitions, a swine show, goat show, sheep-to-shawl competition, 4-H beef auction, plus a host of interesting and informative exhibits.

Free outdoor entertainment will include the Philadelphia Mummers (September 18-26) with their colorful costumes and snappy marching routines, the motorized madness of the Joie Chitwood crew, plus such musical talents as top flight entertainer Jacky Ward, Nashville beauties Charly McClain and Bonnie Nelson, the Sunshine Express, Four Kinsmen and the Moonshine Cloggers.

Especially for the very young - or those still young at heart - Ronald McDonald will be on hand along with all his friends, plus the Flintstones straight from the Stone Age.

Also, the Big E's own 123,000 sq. ft. marketplace, better known as the Better Living Center, will once again offer everything from international gifts to gadgets galore, while historic Storroron Village will provide a taste of bygone era, along with a taste of New England wines served in the Phillips House Wine Garden.

In addition, fairgoers can also browse along the Avenue of States where replicas of all six New England state capitals will house a variety of exhibits depicting the industry, commerce, history, agriculture, natural resources and recreation of that particular locale.

Other ever-popular attractions will include the Big E daily parade, the petting zoo, Giant Slide, antique cars, helicopter rides for a bird's eye view of the fairgrounds and, of course, BiggiE, The Big E's own large and lovable mascot.

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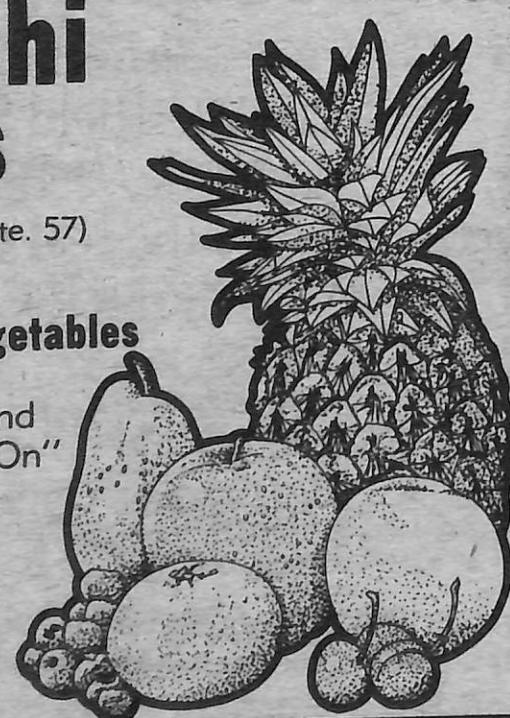
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This is an annual award to recognize individuals in public service, limited to a non-Granger and one award per Pomona Grange per year. Mr. Bennett holds B.S. and M.S. Degrees in agricultural related fields from the University of Massachusetts. Since 1955 he has worked with the Extension Service, presently serving the commercial ornamental horticultural industry for western Massachusetts. The father of four children, he lives in Feeding Hills with his wife, the former Mary L. Morrison.

In this rapidly changing and challenging field of agriculture, Mr. Bennett has been an outstanding leader and office holder in agricultural associations. His ambitious future goals include energy conservation, soil management, herbicides, insect and disease control, marketing and water management. His professional services and future goals make him worthy of this Grange award.

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Classes for advanced beginners will be held on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. beginning in October. Kathy Gallogly, who earned a master's degree in German at the University of Massachusetts and has studied in Germany, will be the instructor.

Classes for beginners will be held on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. beginning September 16th. Bill Riley, who has a master's degree in German from UMass and lived and studied in Germany for several years, will be the instructor.

The registration fee will cover the cost of books. For additional information, call Mary Bleek at 786-8068.

## PWP Plans Orientation

Parents Without Partners, Chapter 990 of Southwick, will sponsor an orientation for new members each Thursday evening during the month of August. Sessions will be held at the Polish-American Club on Southwick Street (Route 57) Feeding Hills.

A record hop will follow each orientation with music by disc jockey Bob Knight, but it will be open to members only.

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ACTRESS SARAH DOUGLAS

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While it celebrates different sci fi films and TV shows, the focus of the International Space Convention is *Space: 1999*, a British television series which starred Martin Landau and Barbara Bain and was syndicated in this country between 1975-77. Although they can't be seen in Western Massachusetts, *Space: 1999* reruns are still playing in different parts of the country.

To the delight of the science fiction enthusiasts, the convention featured a dealers' room which sold all types of movie and TV memorabilia and a film room which showed episodes of *Space: 1999* and other television programs, along with feature films. For people with an interest in paintings and models, an art room displayed the creations of talented fans, and a NASA exhibit featured a model of the space shuttle and pictures of different heavenly bodies. The attendants also had the opportunity to visit the Space City room, a showcase of some of the original costumes and model spaceships used on *Space: 1999* and other British sci fi shows.

Two of the convention's most popular events, however, were the charity auction and the costume presentation. The costumes ranged from *Star Wars*, Darth Vader to Spider-Man's multi-limbed nemesis, Doctor Octopus.

Four celebrity guests were the highlight of the three-day affair: actor Barry Morse, who played Prof. Bergman during the first of the two seasons of *Space: 1999*; actress Sarah Douglas, who made a great appearance on *Space: 1999* and played the human-hating Kryptonian villainess, Ursa, in both *Superman* films; model-maker Martin Bower, who worked on *Space: 1999* and the films *Alien* and *Outland*; and artist Gray Morrow, who created the *Space: 1999* comics magazine and draws the *Buck Rogers* comic strip, among other projects.

On Friday, July 30th, the celebrities visited the Shriner's Hospital for Crippled Children in Springfield, which is this year's recipient of the proceeds from the non-profit convention. For the latter two days of their stay, they held lectures and autograph sessions.

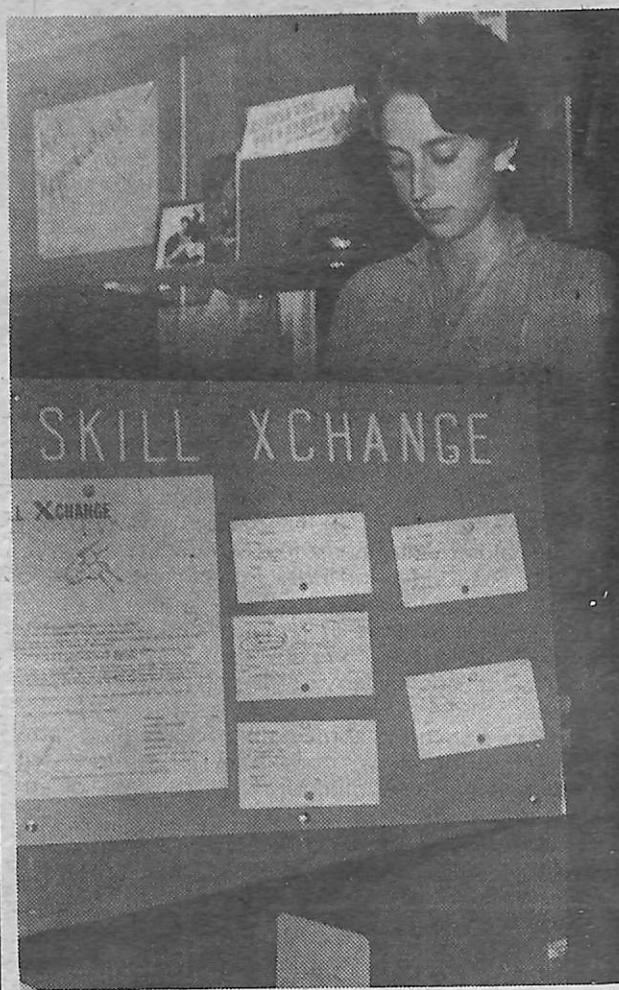


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## Library X-Change



MARCI GEARY, a Tufts University student who is working at the Kent Memorial Library, stands behind the Library's "Skill Xchange" board. This new service offers community people the opportunity to make contact with others who either have skills to offer or are in need of some local service. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

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## FAMILY NATURALIST

By Kay Kudlinski

### Making Your Own Wine

Ever want to try wine making? It's an easier project than you think: the ingredients are simple and you don't need fancy equipment. This is the season to bottle some of the wonderful flavors of nature for colder seasons ahead. Imagine giving dandelion wine, wild grape wine, crabapple wine, or even rose petal wine as holiday gifts next year. The only hard thing about making wine is the waiting, but it is worth waiting for.

The government allows you to make up to 200 gallons of wine each year for home use! There is no fee to register on form 1541, available at your local IRS office.

Alcoholic wines are produced by tiny yeast cells living happily in a sugar and water mix. Fruits and flower petals are just flavoring - and oh, what flavors: violets, black raspberries, mulberries, even pineapples make good wines.

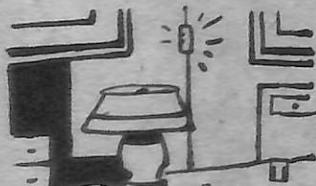
The basic steps are simple:

1. Dissolve 2-5 pounds of sugar in a gallon of boiling water. The more sugar, the sweeter the wine you will produce.
2. Pour it into a ceramic or porcelain pot to cool. Add one packet of wine yeast, cover with plastic wrap tightly and wait a week or two.
3. Siphon it into a gallon jug and put a balloon over the top. As the yeast "works" it makes carbon dioxide as well as alcohol, and the balloon will blow up, filled with gas.
4. Wait, this time three months or so, until the balloon goes limp again. The yeast is done. Siphon the wine into a screw-top bottle. You can use aquarium tubing as a siphon.
5. WAIT. This is the wait you've been training for: let the wine age, tightly capped, for a year or more (or as long as you can stand the suspense).

To make fruit wines, boil 2-3 pounds of well-ripened fruit in with the water in step 1. For a flower wine, add 2-3 pints of petals to step 2 after the yeast has had a couple of days to make itself comfortable. Skim the petals off if they get in the way of your siphoning.

You can catch the last wild strawberries and wild roses this week. Wild blackberries and mulberries are ripening now. Wild blueberries and cranberries will be ready in August. Head out with a pail and "put up" a bottle or two (or two hundred) of your own wild wines.

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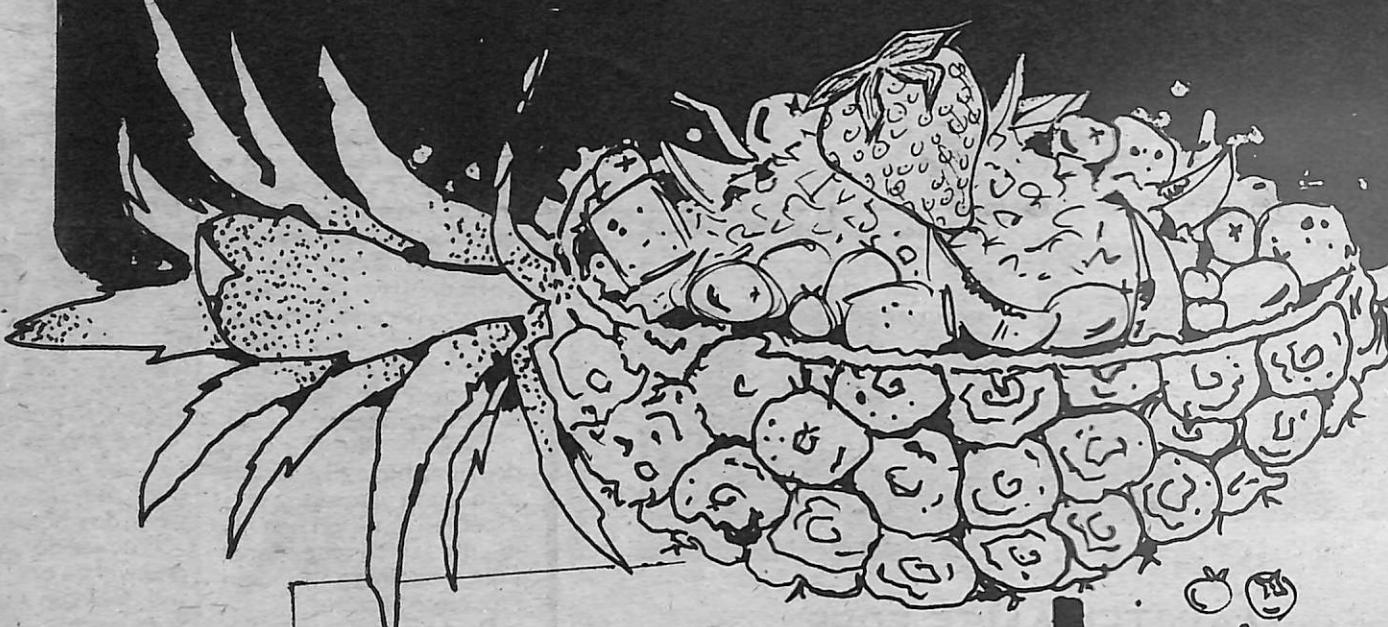
JENNIFER DAMIEN smiles prior to her first bite of delicious pizza served at the event which closed Suffield Rec.'s summer program at Spaulding School.



MELISSA HASTINGS & JOHN COGGINS were among the enthusiastic participants in the dance contest which followed the pizza party. Photos by John Loftus.

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# SPORTS/RECREATION



MEMBERS OF SOUTHWICK'S SUMMER SOCCER TEAM who competed in the Western Mass. League are, back row - Ron Hall, Bobby Slate, Iain Henderson, Jeff Nitch, Butch Mitchell, Scott Snow and Brian Johnson. Front row - Mark Davenport, Bobby Johnson, Paul Armitage, Danny English and Gerry White. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

## Summer Soccer Season Concludes

By Bob Hrycay

Southwick: The Southwick summer soccer team ended its season on a low note, dropping a 7-4 decision to Berkshire Industries in Westfield last Monday night.

Southwick stayed within a goal for most of the contest and trailed 5-4 midway through the second half,

but Berkshire tallied twice in the closing moments to ice the game.

Edwin Rodriguez and Chuck Shewer combined for both of Southwick's first half goals. Rodriguez netted his after a direct kick by Shewer to tie it 1-1. Berkshire

## Sportsman's Corner

By Bill Chiba

The San Francisco ordinance which bans the private ownership of handguns was dealt another legal blow August 3rd, as California Attorney General George Deukmejian ruled that local governments did not have the power to pass such sweeping statutes.

Though the finding does not have the impact of a court decision, it is expected to weigh heavily in the upcoming legal fight against the San Francisco statute.

Deukmejian's opinion was the second legal setback for the San Francisco ban in as many weeks. On July 28th, the California Court of Appeals granted a National Rifle Association legal request and ordered the city to prove its handgun ban was not illegal under state law. A September 22nd hearing date has been set for that case.

blasted the Southwick twine for two unanswered goals before Rodriguez set up Shewer to narrow the margin to 3-2 at the half.

Berkshire got on the scoreboard first in the second half for another two goal lead. Southwick's Dave Reed countered off a direct kick to cut the Berkshire lead to 4-3.

However, the locals couldn't net the tying goal, and Scott Snow's tally midway in the final half brought them back to within a goal at 5-4, but that was as close as they would get all night. A pouring rain and a lack of available substitutes didn't help matters for Southwick in the final minutes.

"It was one of those days when nothing went right," Southwick coach Mark Davenport said about the season finale.

Southwick finished the season with a 6-9-3 record and Davenport said he expects another team will be fielded in for next year's Western Massachusetts Soccer League.

### Plans Underway For A Winter Team

Davenport, a 1974 Southwick High School graduate, is also planning to field a team for a winter league which plays out of the Springfield Armory. Along with that, he has some views on how to further develop soccer talent in Southwick.

He urges the town to begin fielding teams in the highly competitive Pioneer Valley Soccer League made up of ballclubs in the greater Springfield area. It is Davenport's belief that Southwick's interest in soccer is on the wane, and will affect the performance of the Southwick High kickers.

"I'd like to see Southwick become a powerhouse again," he said, contending the recent Southwick High entries have not been as strong as the ballclubs he played for in the early 1970's.

In advocating year-round youth soccer, Davenport's philosophy is: "You've got to start them young, and give the youngsters some really good skills before throwing them on the field."

Davenport urges anyone interested in developing youth soccer in Southwick to call him at 562-2017.



Suffield: The Suffield Recreation Department will begin another season's Youth Soccer Program. Boys and girls from kindergarten through Middle School are eligible to participate.

Registration for K-5 grades is now in progress. Anyone wishing to register their children for this program may do so by coming to the Recreation office any week day between now and August 30.

Practice for Kindergarten will begin on August 31 and will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Grades 1, 2, 3 will begin on August 30 and practice on Mondays and Wednesdays. Grades 4 & 5 will begin practices on August 31 and will continue on Tuesdays and Thursdays. All practices will be at Spaulding School.

There are still openings for the August 24th bus trip to Tanglewood in the Berkshires. This concert will be the "Pops at Tanglewood" featuring the Boston Pops.

Cost for transportation and a lawn ticket will be \$13.00 per person. The bus will leave the Suffield High School at 6:00 p.m. and the concert will begin at 8:30, therefore allowing people to enjoy the beautiful Berkshires and bring a picnic dinner. For more information and to make reservations please call the Recreation Office, 668-0237.



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Southwick B Softball...

## S.P. Club Sweeps Quarterfinal Series

By Bob Hrycay

The S.P. Club swept its quarterfinal Division B series by holding on for an 8-7 victory over Jones' Market last Wednesday night.

In what proved to be the tightest series of the playoffs, S.P. had prevailed in the opener last Monday, a 7-6 squeaker in which they pushed across the winning runs in the seventh frame. Wednesday's contest had a similar outcome as S.P. tallied what proved to be the winning platters in the seventh before a Jones rally fell short.

S.P. was outhit 15-8 Wednesday night but did most of their damage early in a four-run first, taking advantage of two Jones' errors.

Bob Jendza's one-out single was followed by a Tong Leger safety that eluded the Jones outfield. Leger legged around for a 2-0 S.P. lead. Then the victors were given another gift, as Tom Arnold's slow roller to third was thrown away, putting runners on second and third. Scott Ripley's sacrifice fly and Bill Kraus' single increased the margin to 4-0.

Jones came back with two in the bottom of the first, featuring run scoring singles by Guy Levasseur and Greg Strycharz.

But Jones' continued to suffer defensive jitters in the second frame as S.P. pushed across two more runs. A throwing error on a Peter Gallucci grounder accounted for the first tally, and Gallucci later galloped home from second on a long sacrifice fly by Leger.

However, the Jones' defense quickly stabilized after the two disastrous innings, and southpaw hurler Jim Orlandi set down 14 straight S.P. batters going into the seventh inning.

Bolstered by the shutoff of the S.P. offense, Jones' chipped away with two tallies in the fifth and one in the sixth to close the gap to 6-5.

Mark Rankin's two-run homer to the right centerfield gap and Dom Vecchiarilli's sacrifice fly brought Jones' back to within one going into the seventh and deciding inning.

In the top of the seventh, S.P. broke their batting drought as Bill Kraus led off with a single. Then back-to-back close plays kept the rally alive. First, Jones' right fielder Vecchiarilli hustled in to glove a short Chuck Kraus pop up, and raced to first base, barely missing doubling up Bill Kraus. Bill was involved in the second controversial call of the inning, as the umpire ruled he was safe at second on an attempted force play.

With still only one out and two on, Jones' defensive woes came back to haunt them. Ken Billings' long fly was mishandled, leading to one run, and a sacrifice fly by Gallucci plated what proved to be the game winner.

But the excitement certainly wasn't over, and Jones' refused to roll over and play dead. Singles by Paul Burt and Tom Vuelta, and a walk to Jeff Parentella loaded the bases. Rankin rapped home a run, but Parentella was caught making a wide turn at second and was nabbed for the first out.

Ray Barkyoub's sacrifice fly scored Vuelta to make it 8-7. A two-out single by Orlandi sent Rankin to third.

The deciding play of the game followed. Levasseur laced a liner that was knocked down by driving S.P. shortstop Jendza, who turned, flipped and nipped Orlandi at second for the final out.

In other Division A playoff action last Wednesday night, the Southwick Millers tied their series with Hilltop Cafe by punching out an 11-6 victory, forcing a third and final game Monday night. Hilltop took the series opener, 10-1.

Tumble Inn had a relatively easy time with Crawford's Bridal Shoppe, winning 9-5 last Wednesday to complete a two-game sweep. Tumble took the opener last Monday, 9-2.

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HILLTOP CAFE third baseman John Cenez crosses the plate in Division 6 playoff action last Tuesday night against the Traveltown Trailers. Hilltop went on to win 7-5 and swept the series with a 10-6 triumph on Thursday. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

Southwick Softball...

## Ovid's Strikes Back To Force Third Game

By Bob Hrycay

**Southwick:** After suffering a 5-3 defeat last Tuesday, the Ovid's Restaurant softball team knotted their Division B quarterfinal playoff series by drubbing Champiney's Lawnmowers 9-4 last Thursday night. The pair will meet Tuesday to decide the series.

Champiney's, a first place club in the Westfield Softball League, never seriously threatened Ovid's Thursday night, as the winners bombed them for six hits and three runs in the top of the first. Ovid's ended up outslugging Champiney's 20-9.

With one out in the opening stanza, leftfielder Bob Gurski, who had a perfect 4-4 evening, drilled a triple down the leftfield line to plate Howard Rogers with the first run. Woody Cashman crashed a single to drive Rogers home, and Mike Morgan drew more blood when he batted home the third tally with a base knock.

Champiney's answered the volley with a run in the home half. Dan Jerin reached second on a throwing error, advanced to third on a Dan Gziamalowski single, and scored on John Magni's sacrifice fly.

Ovid's added singletons in the third and fourth frames to increase their lead to 5-1. A Morgan sacrifice fly accounted for Ovid's third inning tally, but Champiney's leftfielder Bob LaFogg made two fine running catches to prevent further damage.

The winners displayed some outstanding glove work of their own in the fourth. Hepworth's looper down the rightfield line was nabbed by Frank Wysocki, and Gziamalowski's sinking liner to center was stabbled on a fine running catch by Cashman.

Champiney's closed to within 5-2 on a fifth inning single by LaFogg but this was as close as they would get because Ovid's struck for a pair of runs in the final two frames.

With pitcher Al Bennett at first, John Couture blooped a single to left, and Bennett came around on an errant cutoff throw. Joe Perron's safety plated Couture to up the count to 7-2.

Champiney's tallied twice in the bottom of the sixth on an opposite field three-bagger by Magni.

Ovid's two insurance runs in the seventh resulted from a triple by Ralph King and a single by Morgan, his third RBI of the evening.

\*\*\*\*\* While Ovid's and Champiney's will decide their fate Tuesday, three teams have already clinched spots in the semifinals.

First place finisher St. Peter's closed out their quarterfinal series by clubbing Comark Industries 20-8 last Thursday night. Comark gave St. Peter's all they could handle in the opener last Tuesday before falling 7-6.

Granville Country Store nipped American Legion 7-6 to complete a sweep of their series, and Hilltop Cafe knocked off Traveltown Trailers 10-6 to advance to the semifinals.

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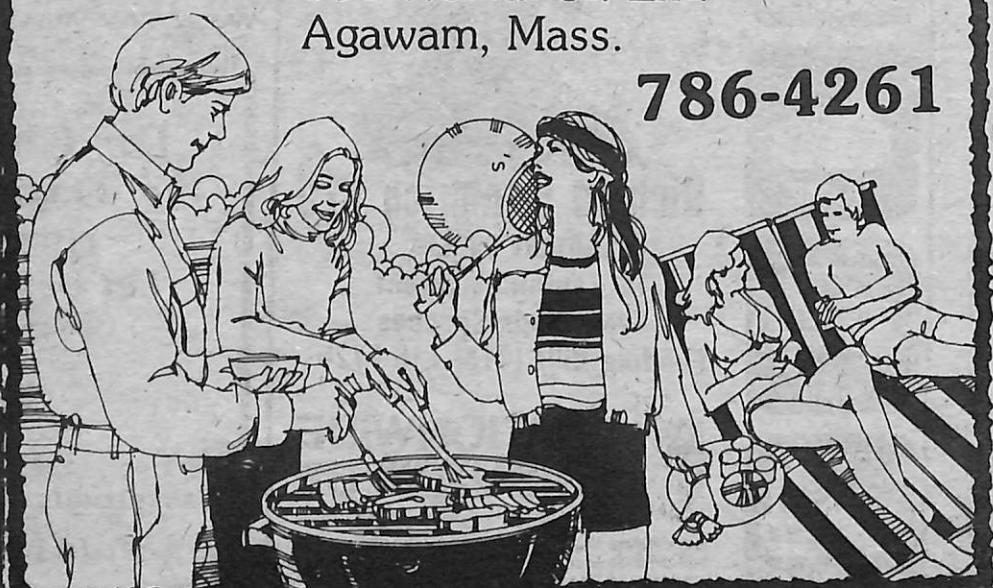
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## Good Turnout For Golf Clinic At Southwick CC

By Bob Hrycay

Southwick: The sport of golf is enjoying an increasing popularity among youngsters, and a clinic currently being held at the Southwick Country Club is a prime example.

Over 25 young golfers are learning the basics of the sport at the weekly clinic, and many of them showed promise at last Monday's session.

The idea for the clinic was brought about because of the large number of youngsters who regularly come to play at the Country Club, owner Gene Ryer explained. "We were batting the idea around with the Southwick Recreation Center," Ryer said. "A lot of kids like to learn how to play. Everyone thought it was a good idea, so we're doing it."

The four instructors for the clinic are Roger LeClerc, John Hanna, Karl Maloney, and Larry Petrocelli.

Because golf is a sport which takes a great deal of concentration and time to learn, the instructors are stressing the basics, such as proper grip, stance and motion.

"I've been playing the game 50 years, and I'm still learning," Hanna said. Among the keys to the game he told his group are "the position of the club when addressing the ball and the proper stroke for making putts."

One young golfer having little trouble with his putts was 13-year-old Southwick resident Leif Wakefield, who canned three consecutive 15-footers, a feat that would make most pros green with envy.

Eleven-year-old Bill Villecci was also enjoying success, as he nailed some beautiful drives. Villecci has been playing the sport for two years, and one might say he's grown up with golf - he lives across the street from the 11th hole at the Country Club.

While golf is usually not considered a big sport for women, 11-year-old Kim Walsh likes it just fine. The clinic is Kim's first try at golf, and Maloney said, "She is progressing equally well with the others."

LeClerc, who was the golf coach at Agawam High School for 12 years says, "It's great to instruct kids so they can learn good habits instead of bad ones. If you get them when they're young, it'll make a big difference. When they're adults, they'll enjoy the sport more."

The Country Club runs the clinic free of charge and provides the clubs - not a bad bargain for those just learning the sport. "Clinics are becoming more popular, and a tremendous number of youngsters are coming out to play. It didn't used to be that way," Ryer said, adding that the United States Golf Association looks at youth golf programs as the foundation of the sport's future.

"I get a kick out of it," Ryer said about the clinic. And, more importantly, the same can be said for the youngsters. This, indeed, bodes well for the sport of golf in Southwick.

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**YOUNGSTERS** (from left) SCOTT BUREK (Westfield), Leif Wakefield (Southwick), Adrian Bingzaremba (Southwick), and Matthew LaBranche (West Springfield) receive instruction on the proper grip of an iron from John Hanna at the Southwick Country Club's Golf Clinic. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

## Little Leaguers Bow In State-Wide Tourney

By Amanda Hastings

Suffield: Suffield's Little League All-Stars rolled quite easily through the District 8 tournament, capturing the title with no apparent difficulty. But the New London Americans put an abrupt stop to Suffield's uphill climb to state recognition, toppling their opponents 3-1 in a game at Waterford, Connecticut.

All the action came in the first inning, which visiting Suffield led off. Tim Cain singled and was forced to second on Scott Sabellico's walk. Cain proceeded to steal third and came home on a wild pitch, but that was all for Suffield.

New London overpowered their worthy opponents in the bottom of that inning as Phil Lynch reached on an error and Bob Nenna was hit by a pitch. Lynch and Nenna came home on a hit by Steve Johnson, who later scored on a passed ball.

Nenna pitched seemingly faultless baseball. He gave up only two hits, both singles by Tim Cain. He allowed only four walks and struck out thirteen Suffield batters.

Scott Sabellico gave another of his fine performances on the mound, striking out five and allowing only three hits. He had his pitching under control, walking only two, though he did hit one batter.

The names on the 1982 District 8 championship trophies include Corey Sullivan, Tim Cain, Scott Sabellico, David Humiston, Rob Prevost, Scott Pearson, Peter Horan, Pat Milligan, Troy Gifford, Elliot Garner, Bruce Roy, Jeff Strole, Doug Pettilo, Coach Bill Sheridan, and Manager Brian Sullivan.

New London American will continue in state competition while Suffield must be content with being an undefeated district championship team, not too bad a fate.

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## TRACKSIDE

By Julie Ferioli

The big story this weekend was the running of the Third Annual Manchester Oil Heat 100, held at Stafford Motor Speedway on Friday, the 6th.

Corky Cookman emerged as victor before a crowd of 9,800 fans. It was Cookman's first win of the season and also the second of his career. Finishing second was Charlie Jarzonbek, followed by Ray Miller, George Kent, and Bently Warren. Dave Wandzy was the winner of the street stock feature.

In the early going of the modified action, "Superman" Greg Sacks crashed and was forced out of contention. The "Forestville Flash" Reggie Ruggiero had led the race until lap 50 when his motor blew for the seventh time this year. The mishap was all Cookman needed to take over first place and go on to victory lane.

Saturday, the 7th, at Riverside Speedway, it was Bob Polverari to take down the 50-lap modified feature. Polverari, who had taken the lead on lap 21, is the only driver in the history of Riverside to win three consecutive track championships - 1975, 1976, and 1977. He is also the current point leader and well on his way to setting another record - that of becoming the first driver even to win four track titles.

Don DesRochers finished second with B.J. Evanson, Ray Miller, and Marty Radewick rounding out the top five. Midway through the race, Reggie Ruggiero was hit by Jack Lecuyer and went airborne over his tires. Lecuyer's car received front end damage while rear damage was done to Ruggiero's, which had been running fifth at the time of the accident.

In the street stock feature, Custer Axiotis got the black flag to leave the track after causing a major accident on lap 5. Axiotis later exchanged heated words with officials and was suspended from the track for the remainder of the season. However, the decision has now been reversed, and Axiotis will be able to return to competition next Saturday as usual.

Mike Widger was the eventual winner of that race, and Bill Lauridsen won the pro stock feature.

Bob Polverari then became only the second driver this year to win two features in a row by taking the 30-lap race at Thompson International Speedway on Sunday, the 8th. Runners-up for the night were Corky Cookman, Ken Bouchard, Reggie Ruggiero, and Marty Radewick.

In the pro-stock division, Mike Stefanik took down the win, and Bob Beckman won the street stock feature after the original winner had been disqualified. Concluding the program was a special running of the New England Antique Racers' Association with Ben Dodge the victor of that race.

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